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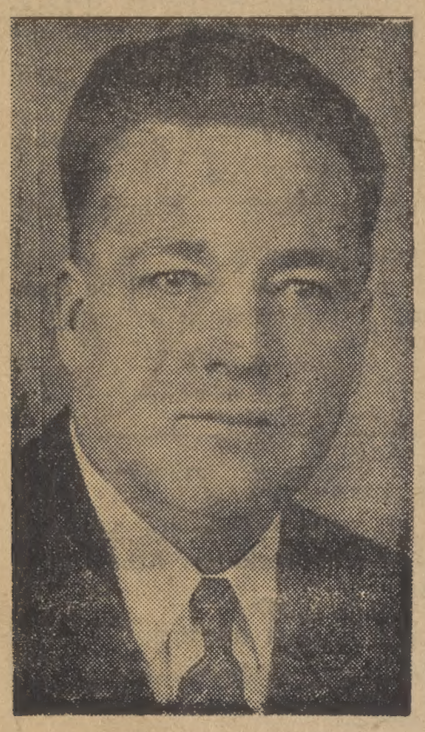
OAKLAND STAKE CONFERENCE

In a stake conference that filled the Oakland chapel to capacity morning, afternoon and evening, the Oakland stake heard thrilling sermons from Harold B. Lee of the Twelve, Mark Garff of the General Welfare committee, the stake leaders and some returned missionaries. Robert T. Paine was sustained as stake patriarch.

Saturday evening was held a stake welfare and stake missionary report meeting. Sunday services were heard by a large overflow group in the recreation hall by means of loud speakers. Della Swensen was sustained as the new stake Relief Society president.



Harold B. Lee

The largest combined stake choir ever to sing at a stake conference here rendered beautiful music under the leadership of Darrell Munson.

Pres. Delbert F. Wright said he had never seen a more loyal, devoted group of saints, commended

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Business News

(All LDS people in business or professions are hereby requested to avail themselves of this column, and to send in brief news notes and personal items from time to time).

● The Oakland law firm of Brown, Smith and Ferguson, all active Church and Liahona Club members, have recently won two large damage suits for clients: one involving an auto crash, for $111,900, and the other for $145,000 concerned a breach of contract to deliver a large steel order.

● The Messenger has learned from Verl Bennett, our paint contractor, that the formulas of certain paints, especially outside paints, are in process of being changed (and not for the good) supposedly on account of war conditions. He therefore advises that purchasers whose homes are in need of painting should either buy from the reputable firms advertising in the Messenger, or contact our LDS painters as listed in The Messenger Directory, or who are advertisers in The Messenger from month to month.

● We are advised that our Dimond warder and secretary of Liahona Club, M. Dee Smith, has recently associated himself with the realty firm of Bybee and Bliss in East Oakland and wishes all his friends to take note that this is taking all his time in this pleasing work for which his kindly ways and ability qualify him.

● We really feel that a tribute is due to the Liahona Club song leader and also the chorister of Claremont ward's growing choir, Curtis R. Millward. How he and Sel, Claremont's bishop, get the time from their busy Market business on College avenue, Berkeley, to serve so many hours during both daytime and evenings and Sundays in Church work will always be a mystery that only those peculiar people, the LDS, will ever understand.

Berk. Stake Scoop!

BYU A Capella Choir Comes to Berkeley H. S. Theatre, Tuesday, May 8

By special arrangement the Berkeley Stake Budget Theatre announces through President W. Glenn Harmon that one of the west's most famous musical organizations has been booked for a premier bay area performance at the equally famous Berkeley high school auditorium theatre, Tuesday evening, May 8.

Heading a committee promoting this unique musical festival is Delbert H. Rock and MIA presidents, Kirk Decker and Almadean Feller. All stake Mutuals will close for the night of May 8 and attend in a body with thousands of their friends since the Berkeley high school theatre seats well over 3500.

Upon the ward and stake Mutuals has been placed the full responsibility for ticket sales and promotion. In this way each ward will also be given an opportunity to supplement its own ward budget. For this reason, the ward MIA officers are advised to get in immedite touch with the stake MIA leaders for details.

Prices will be on a popular level so that not only church members may attend, but may invite their friends in general.

Berk. Stake News

By ANNALEONE PATTON.

BERKELEY FLOWER AND HOBBY SHOW

Berkeley stake was well represented among the leaders of the recent Berkeley's Sixth Annual Flower and Hobby Show held at the U. A. Theatre, February 21-24, 1951, and sponsored by the Junior Chamber of Commerce.

General chairman was George Macy, and construction was under the supervision of Sid Feller, both of the MIA stake board; properties were cared for by Ned Clyde, of the Berkeley ward MIA presidency, while the photography work was done by Ed A. Pyle,

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SANTA ROSA STAKE HOLDS FIRST CONFERENCE AT VALLEJO

January 7, 1951 at Santa Rosa's LDS chapel was born a most promising young Stake of Zion, Santa Rosa stake, composed of 1281 saints from seven Branches of the Northern California Mission, and of 1562 members of three wards and one Branch of Berkeley stake, a total of 2842 Latter-day Saints in an area extending from Fairfield, Benicia, and Vallejo on one side to Willits and Lakeport on the other, and from Napa to the waters of the blue Pacific. Attendance at the time of the birth of this 181st stake of the Church was 690.

Ten weeks later, March 18, 748 members of this lusty baby stake met in its first quarterly stake conference in the meeting house of the Vallejo-Carquinez wards to hear reports from its stake leaders as to progress made to date, and to receive instruction and ordinations from the apostle of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, Joseph F. Merrill. Sunny skies and warm spring air prevailed on the outside while within the assemblage was apparent joy and peace.

In the seventy-day period since its organization Pres. Murdock announced that six wards and branches have been organized, and all visited by the stake presidency except one. Also a meeting had been held at Stewart's Point among the Lamanite members of the Church, and plans made there for a Church unit. The Relief Society, the Sunday School, the MIA, and the Primary stake boards have been organized and the genealogical committee and stake mission are now under consideration.

Starting with no organization except a stake presidency and five members of the High Council and a Patriarch, and with no budget and no money, encouraging progress has been made, and the future looks very promising.

The theme of the conference, the spirit of the addresses made by the three of the stake presi-

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America's Greatest Archeologist At Berkeley

A red letter day for Book of Mormon students and others who would love to see great films of the ancient ruins of Central America and hear them explained by the nation's greatest living authority on the subject will gather in the Berkeley chapel, corner of Vine and Walnut streets, Tuesday evening, April 17 at 7:30 p.m.

Dr. Alfred V. Kidder, chairman of the department of Archeology of the Carnegie Institution of Washington, D. C., is at the present time lecturing and conducting seminar classes for graduate students at the University of California. Having received a copy of the recently published book "Ancient America and the Book of Mormon," Dr. Kidder has accepted an invitation from Attorney Thomas S. Ferguson to present his slide lecture before the Special Interest group of the combined MIA classes of Berkeley First and Second wards.

Special and hearty invitation is extended to all the other Special Interest classes of the two stakes of the area, and any others who may be able to attend what promises to be an event long to be remembered.

We understand that three or four of the main centers of exploration by the professor and his parties will be shown, including those of Quirigua which the Prophet Joseph Smith said he thought could have been the Book of Mormon city of Zarahemla. In 1945 Dr. A. W. Kidder wrote:

"If we (archeologists) do our work as we should, we may come

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SAN FRANCISCO STAKE NEWS---

San Rafael Becomes A Ward

By JEAN LAUPER.

Sunday, March 11, was a particularly beautiful day in San Francisco, as hundreds gathered at the Stake House to attend the Quarterly Conference. Clifford E. Young represented the General Authorities of th Church and inspired the capacity congregation with several talks. His deep faith, friendliness and genuine interest in us makes Brother Young one of our favorite visitors. He was present five years ago when, under the direction of Elder Mark E. Peterson, San Francisco Stake was divided, creating the new Palo Alto Stake.

Present were members of our five wards, San Rafael Branch having been organized into a ward March 11. Members of the new Bishopric are Weston L. Roe, Bishop; Joseph Greenland, first counselor; and Phay Ellison, second counselor; Leslie M. Spencer, formerly of the branch presidency was appointed executive chairman of the building committee for the ward.

The Stake MIA ski trip to Yosemite February 23, was a huge sucess. Not two, but three large busses were required to take the crowd. Accidents occured to two brothers: Dave Bennion broke his ankle and Dennis Bennion suffered a severe sprain.

March 2 the Stake High Council held a supper and party. High Council members released during the last year were, with their wives special guests. It was mentioned at conference that of the 12 High Councilmen sustained just five years ago, only one remains, Henry Thomson. Brother Thomson, who has been ill, came to the party, but left almost at once. It was a wonderful evening otherwise. One of the best parties this group has had.

President and Sister Barton

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Stake Bloodbank Now Set Up

The Berkeley stake presidency has called Elmo Carr of Claremont ward to head a project for a Stakewide Blood Bank. Elder Carr announces that he would like all the quorums and organizations of the wards and the stake to ooperate in this matter. He says that he will proceed by getting in touch with these quorums and organizations, and hopes that they will be willing to aid in the project. The plan is to operate so that blood will be available to anyone who is in need of it in the stake as a whole and at any time.

It seems that this is a matter that has been greatly needed in Berkeley stake, and that it will give all the members a security that is greatly to be desired in emergency. It is felt that in union there is strength in this direction as in all else.

Do you like to be in on the important days of the expansion of some worthwhile institution or project? Without doubt all people enjoy the chance to store in memory witnessed events when something historic happened. Well, then listen to the report of the last Liahona Dinner discussion meeting at the Colonial Cafeteria on Franklin Street at 15th, in Oak-

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Missionary Hiltons, Claude Dewsnup In Bonnie Scotland

The following typical Hilton letter came March 23 1951, to the editor of The Messenger from Glasgow, Scotland, from Ruth and Eugene Hilton. Since we are sure our many readers will also be delighted to hear from these worthy people we are producing the letter entire. It is for you all.

DEAR BRO. BALL AND CALIFORNIA FRIENDS: Greetings from Bonnie Scotland from the Hiltons! We have indeed been busy people since we arrived in the Scottish Isles. Our special assignment brought us at once to Glasgow to supervise reconstruction and conditioning of a massivé five-story stonestructure recently purchased by the church.

The combined chapel and Relief Society rooms were to be redone, reseated, etc., in readiness for the Scottish conference which ended yesterday. They were ready. Members and non-members joined in the work and we really "poured on the coal." The large crowd assembled were amazed and delighted to see a grand place of our own the first we have owned in Scotland in 113 years of missionary endeavor here.

To our surprise and pleasure Bishop Dewsnup of Richmond is here in Glasgow. He has helped on the job. Yesterday he loaned us his copy of the February Messenger which we have just read. What a pleasure to transfer ourselves in memory back to our dear homeland and our many friends there. What manifold blessings, both spiritual and temporal, are yours! May you try to appreciate them and rejoice in the goodness of our God to you. Our love and gratitude to all!

Our daughter, Patricia, is called to fulltime missionary work and is in England, not far from our dear friends, Bro. and Sis. ter Phelps. She would want to be included in this note of greeting and thanks. Faithfully—The Missionary Hiltons.

P.S.—May we have the Messenger, please. Our address is 7 Claremont Terrace, Glasgow C3, Scotland.

Mesa Temple Caravan

A lovely spiritual experience was enjoyed by the 45 adults and 20 young people who left Oakland March 17 and spent a week in the Mesa Temple, arriving in time for the stake conference there.

Monday was a day for baptisms for the dead performed by the younger members of the caravan. Tuesday through Friday four to five sessions a day were attended by the group.

One temple worker said that temple work in that temple had almost doubled within the last year. Sometimes special session have to b arranged because of the overflow crowds. A bus load of temple workers from San Diego left the day before we arrived, and on the last day of our stay a large group arrived from Snowflake, Arizona.

President Payne has a pleasant personality that welcomes everyone to the House of the Lord. His memory and quick thinking

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Oakland Stake's Star-Time Varieties Lighted The Skies Over Berkeley

There are now some 3300 people of the bay area who yet are asking one another such questions as, "Can't you still hear William Farnum reading the "Story of the Seagulls" and "The Master is Coming?" Could anything have been more tuneful and winsome than the King Sisters?" "Wasn't that Guardsman Quartet killing in their roles as 'The Lady Killers'?" "Did you ever hear anyone get more hearty laughs from an audience than Johnny O'Brien, or surprise an audience more than he with the wonderful flood of great music he could draw out of a little harmonica?"; did ever an orchestra and its talented and pleasing leader give more class and lift to an entire program than did Walt Roesner and his great aggregation of musicians?"

"Who could have been more gracious and charming as an emcee than Roddy MacDowell?" and "What finish and fine form the Oakland Stake Chorus and the Mormon Male Chorus showed in their great finale of a great evening of entertainment in their historic number, "The Triumph of Faith," under the baton of the maestro, J. Spencer Cornwall?"

The foregoing list of questions already is too long for one paragraph and still there has been no mention of equally worthy numbers on that wonder program of Oakland stake's history-making "Star-Time Varieties," held in the huge and most modern Berkeley High School Municipal Auditorium, Friday evening, Mar. 16, 1951. One will not soon forget the "Two Black Crows," inimitable blackface comedians; the "Winter Scene" and "A Portrait of Vienna," graceful and meaningful ballet numbers by the Dance-Repertory Theatre directed and led by Raoul Pause; "A Night at the Opera," by the great Ewan Harbrecht and the charming James Schawbacher; "Across the Plains," the one-act playlet featuring the marvelous voices of J. Delos Jewks and

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Richmond Ward

MESSAGE OF THE BISHOPRIC

How long has it been since you read the Pearl of Great Price? The Pearl of Great Price is just what it means. It is great in the lives of those who read it each year, and great in the lives of the people who lived in the days o fthe great characters contained in these wonderful records: Abraham, Moses and Joseph Smith. To each of these men the Lord has given revelations restoring wisdom and priesthood to lead His people in paths of truth and righteousness.

Today the Light shines forth from the revealed word of the Lord as Joseph Smith tells his own story of how the Lord has set up His Kingdom for the last time never to be taken again from the earth.

Are you enjoying this beautiful spring we are having? Easter always brings the newness of life with it! It represents the climax to the greatest life ever lived, even our Creator, who brought the Light and power of the Priesthood to overcome death.

You might ask why our stake building program. Is this a wonderful building program? It is wonderful because the foundation and purpose of the plan is "to help others in need." Nothing selfish. As the Lord would have it, so it is set up for the welfare of His children that all might have joy in it. Did you know that for every dollar given for the building program one dollar of your tithing that is sent in goes to our stake for the building of the Lord's Kingdom here. Thru our tithing we have an investment in every chapel and school in the church.

Tithing is only a tenth of all the Lord has given us: those paying their titing are truly blessed. They are building the Lord's Kingdom that it may prosper and it is a promise of the Lord that it will prosper. Those who observe this commandment know and testify that He has blessed them because they have kept this commandment.

May the blessings of the Lord ever be upon Richmond ward members. We thank all of you who are helping to carry on the Lord's work and send greetings of welcome to all who have not yet come out—come and be one with us.—Sincerely, Your Bishopric.

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superintendent of Berkeley First ward Sunday School.

Congratulations to these excellent young leaders in our Church and community.

TRIBUTE TO LOUISE KNIGHT

In the passing of our beloved Louise Knight, first Relief Society president of Berkeley stake, we feel a great loss, a loss shared by the entire stake.

Throughout her short, busy, sunny lifetime Louise was active in many Church organizations. She also radiated the light of the Gospel among the members of other community groups. The beautiful floral tributes from non-church organizations, at her funeral, expressed the love and high esteem in which she was held by these friends.

Recently the Berkeley First ward Relief Society received a cash contribution and a written tribute to Louise from the Dames' Club of the U. C. The "Sew an' Sew" sewing club sent money to the Children's Hospital in Salt Lake City in her honor because Louise loved Primary work. The Berkeley Camp, Daughters of the Utah Mormons, are placing a copy of "Ancient America and the Book of Mormon" in the Bancroft library of the U. C. in her honor, because Louise was a great student, and a real help in the work of the Daughters.

MIA NEWS

The Berkeley Stake YMMIA organization has been fortunate this past year to have had two of its members from what now is Santa Rosa stake, namely, Larue Powell from Vallejo and Winifred Hacking from Carquinez. We bid them "farewell and good luck" and would like to tell the stake a little bit about them.

SISTER LA RUE POWELL

Sister Powell, a native of Cache Valley, tho born in Preston, Idaho, received her college education at the University of Utah and the BYU. She married her fine husband, Dee Powell, in the Logan Temple. Vallejo has been her home since her marriage, and the Powells now have two lovely children, a son and a daughter. In spite of her busy home life, Larue has always been active in the Church. She as the first person to head the new MIA Maid Department on our stake board for the 14 and 15 year old girls. We have had glowing reports from all the wards about the success of this new age grouping. We know that Larue's enthusiasm and charming personality have helped to make the new program a success.

SISTER WINIFRED HACKING

Sister Hacking, born in Tooele, Utah, received her education in local schools, with emphasis on dramatics, public speaking, dancing and music. She was married to Brother H. C. Hacking in the Salt Lake Temple. They now have three lovely daughters, aged 15, 13 and 10.

In addition to keeping her lovely home, "Winnie" has a full-time position as Assistant to the Credit Manager at Levee's Department Store in Vallejo, tho she is able to combine this with her Church and home activities. We compliment "Winniie" for this. Our Berkeley Sake Beehive Girls and ward leaders will miss her.

SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION

The Annual Sunday School convention for the Berkeley and Oakland stakes was held Sunday, March 18, in the Oakland Oakland ward chapel.

Sessions for the Convention were conducted by members from the General Board in Salt Lake City. Brother David L. McKay and Sister McKay and Gerrit de Jong, Jr., represented the General Board.

The Theme of the Convention was "The Pre-Service and In-Service Teacher Training Programs." Both stakes were well represented and a spiritual feast was enjoyed by all.

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Claremont Ward

By GLADYS HAYASHI.

We wish to express our thanks to Grace Millward for the excellent job she has done over the past several years as ward reporter. We have really enjoyed her colorfully written column and regret that due to other Church responsibilities she is unable to continue in this capacity. Grace is activity counselor of the YLMIA.

Joseph E. Wood was recently sustained second counselor to Bishop A. S. Millward, with Fred Reiche filling the vacancy of first counselor left by Arthur Burdett, who has been appointed to the Stake High Council. The Sunday School has a new superintendent in Heber Ellsworth, who replaces Elmo Carr, now serving on the Stake Genealogical Committee. We feel fortunate, indeed, in having such fine men serving us in these capacities.

Though a little late in being reported, the news of the birth of little Jan Christine Widtfeldt will be of interest to the many friends of Anne and John. Jan was born on February 15.

Mary and Harold Eldredge are the proud parents of a bouncing baby boy, born on March 13 and weighing 9 lbs. 7 oz. He will be known as Brett Eugene. Congratulations, Mary and Harold.

We are happy to extend a hearty welcome to three new members who were recently baptized. They are: Gordon Robbins, Virginia Ballou and Mabel Bolton. Congratulations to you.

Elmo and Ellen Carr and their two younger children enjoyed a delightful three weeks' trip to Salt Lake City when they drove there with their son, Lamont, who was entering the Mission Home prior to his departure for the West German Mission. On account of mechanical difficulties, the boat was unable to sail on schedule thus making it possible for Lamont to remain at the Mission Home for the full two weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph E. Millward of Grantsville, Utah, were here visiting their sons Seldon, Curtis and Var during the middle of March. The father of these men celebrated his 78th birthday.

Edna Cardwell spent Easter with her children in Arcadia.

Bishop A. S. Millward and Fred Reiche attended April conference.

The 109th birthday of the Relief Society organization yas celebrated by the ward Relief Society ladies and their husbands at a party held at the new home of the Vern Olsons in El Cerrito on March 17. A talk was given by Sister Rose Gleason, president, on "Highlights of the Past." Games, led by Mickey Olson, and refreshments, completed an enjoyable evening. Relief Society meetings are held Tuesday evenings at the home of Sister LaVern Bain, 2406 Dana Street.

Are you on the winning side? If you're a green, you're a winner! A bit of fun and competition were combined to produce an increase in attendance at MIA meetings. The membership was divided into two factions, the greens and the golds, each attempting to outdo the other side in gaining new members. After eight weeks of competition, the greens proved victorious by one count and the losers will provide a dinner for the MIA membership on April 4 at the Berkeley chapel. Although the contest is over, the MIA still welcomes all new members.

Pretty blonde Lorraine Miles reigned as queen of the Gold and Green Ball on March 24 at the Codornices Clubhouse. She was attended by four lovely misses: LaPrele Badouin, Mary Ellen Carr, Margaret Harmon and Virginia Ballou. Janet Ellsworth and Janelle Carr completed the regal party as crown bearer and train bearer, respectively. Bishop A. S. Willward performed the coronation ceremony. Music was furished by Murray Peterson's orchestra.

April 22 is a date to note on your calendar. The speaker for Sacrament meeting on that night will be Wallace G. Bennett, president of the San Francisco Stake Missionaries, and son of U. S. Senator Bennett of Utah and graandson of President Grant.

Two engagements were joyfully announced March 30: Julia Ellsworth to Scott Barett and Joan Hickman to Scott Bybee. Congratulations to both happy couples.

Alameda Ward News

By GALEEN CLAYSON.

The Alma Thompson family recently departed from our ward to make their home in Provo, Utah. We miss Alma and his excellent work in the Sunday School and Aldina as Social Science teacher in the Relief Society.

Alvin Barlow will attend the General Conference in Salt Lake City.

A special Easter program, under the direction of Elnora Jensen, was enjoyed by the many in attendance Easter morning.

Watch for the coming MINSTREL SHOW to be presented by the Alameda ward in the near fuure. Thanks to all who joined in singing in the Star-Time Varieties and to those who sold so many tickets, especially Arnold Bangerter, who led all the rest.

A delightful program was presented honoring Wayne Johns at his farewell testimonial March 14. We wish him well as he departs for the French Mission. May the blessings of the Lord be with him.

All Alameda ward grieved at the passing of Marie Meuter after her long illness. She was much loved by all who knew her and knew of her good works.

The Alameda Sunday School is presenting a moving picture, "The Life of Jesus Christ," April 14, at 1 and 8 p.m. It promises to be a very worthwhile picture. The proceeds are to go towards visual aids for our Sunday School. Remember the date and the hours: April 14 at 1 and 8 p.m.

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BERKELEY STAKE CALENDAR

APRIL AND MAY

Monday, April 9—MIA Stake Leadership—Richmond Ward Chapel 7:30 p.m.

Saturday, April 14—Junior M. Men and Junior Gleaner Elections—Richmond Chapel 7:30 p.m.

Monday, April 16—Stake Era Campaign Ends: Aim, 150% of quota.

Friday, April 20—Gold & Green Ball—Scottish Rite Auditorium—Oakland, 9:00 p.m.

Saturday, April 21—Stake General Priesthood—Leadership—Berkeley Chapel. For all holding Priesthood. 7:30 p.m.

Saturday, April 28—Quarterly Stake Conference, 7:30 p.m.

Sunday, April 29—Quarterly Stake Conference, 10 a.m., 2 & 7:30 p.m.

*Tuesday May 1—M Men-Gleaner Week Begins.

Wednsday, May 2—Stake Family Night—Berkeley Chapel, 7:30 p.m.

Thursday, May 3—Grand Inter-Stake Picnic—Combined program with Santa Rosa and Oakland Stakes. Details to be announced.

Friday, May 4—Inter-Stake Talent Night—Oakland Ward Recreation Hall—Berkeley, Oakland and Santa Rosa participating—8:00 p.m.

Saturday, May 5—Inter-Stake Dinner-Dance—Three stakes participating—Berkeley Ward Recreation Hall—6:30 p.m.

Sunday, May 6—Combined Stakes Testimony Meeting for all M Men-Gleaners—Berkeley Ward Chapel—7:00 p.m.

Monday, May 14—Stake MIA Leadership Meeting, Martinez Chapel 7:30 p.m.

Saturday, May 19—Stake General Priesthood-Leadership—Berkeley Chapel for entire Priesthood. 7:30 p.m.

Friday, May 25—Stake Bee Hive Swarm Day, Berkeley chapel 8 p.m.

*Observance of the week begins in the wards on Tuesday, May 1. On Thursday, Friday and Saturday all Berkeley activities will be combined with those of Oakland and Santa Rosa Stakes, as indicated in this calendar.

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Berkeley First Ward

Richard William Lindsay, son of Clyde and Janice Lindsay, was blessed on fast Sunday by his father, while Grandfather Del F. Rock took part.

Wedding bells are ringing again in the Lon Sorenson family. George and Donna Lundell were married in the Salt Lake temple on March 31. Anne went to Salt Lake for the big event. Congratulations, George and Donna.

On March 17, Clara Beth Young and Robert Baker Bond were married in the Berkeley ward chapel. Robert, a Sacramento lad, is attending Stanford; however, the couple will make their home in Berkeley First ward. Congratulations and welcome.

We were pleased to see Barney Gardner and Shirley Rock home for spring vacation; also Joanne Gardner Barker. Pat Sorenson and Ted Baer have joined the other Berkeleyans at the "Y" and David Gardner is attending the University of California.

Greetings to Howard Bodily's parents. We hope you enjoy your visit here. Emma and Charles Taylor are visiting in Salt Lake City. Harold Glenn has just returned from a flying trip to West Virginia, where he attended meetings of the American Institute of Chemical Engineers. He also spent a day in Washington, D. C., and returned home via Houston, Texas, where he visited company operations.

The Sunday school Easter programs were especially beautiful this year. The remarks given by Brother David Cummings were inspirational and the music was beautiful. The Easter cantata, given by the combined ward choirs, was a fitting tribute to our Easter observance at the evening service.

Russell Ball left Monday, April 2, for one of his routine trips to Washington, D. C., in connection with his duties of chief of research in Berkeley of the Federal Atomic Energy Commission. Since flying brings on "plane sickness," Russell is taking the train. He will be back in about 10 days.

We learn that Ethel Solberg and the Barretts are making expected recoveries from their very serious injuries caused by their auto accident near Las Vegas.

Rose Marie Dunham, now residing in Salt Lake City, has recently been appointed private secretary to the

Santa Rosa Stake's First Road Show

The first annual road show for Santa Rosa stake was an event of march 22 and 23, with nine wards and branches participating.

The Thursday night programs were given as divided units, with Napa, Vallejo and Carquinez wards and Fairfield branch appearing in the Vallejo-Carquinez chapel and the other wards and branches presenting their acts at Ukiah chapel.

On Friday night the units combined to present a program of high calibre entertainment which was appreciated and enjoyed, if one were to judge the rousing applause that followed each act.

Fairfield, Lake Port and Santa Rosa presented skits. Vallejo's contribution included song and dance numbers; Carquinez, a puppet show; Napa soft shoe dancing and singing; an unusual dance by Indians from Stewarts Point; and Ukiah's portion of the show was a skit on MIA ideals. The program ended with a mixed sextet singing "May the Good Lord Bless and Keep You," by Sebastapol members.

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Carquinez Ward

Our ward and community were greatly shocked and saddened at the passing of one of our most faithful and beloved sisters, Mrs. Sarah M. Standley, who suffered a stroke on Friday, March 2. She was rushed to the hospital, but never regained consciousness and passed away the following Monday evening. Funeral services were held Thursday, March 9 in the Vallejo chapel under direction of Bishop David A. Harris. The services were very impressive and the floral offerings beautiful. The Carquinez and Vallejo ward Singing Mothers and a male quartet sang. Interment was in Golden Gate National cemetery.

She is survived by her husband, Newel Standley, and one son, Newel Standley, Jr. Two daughters, Mrs. John Solon of Seattle, and Mrs. Stanley Knight of Eureka. Sister Standley was our Relief Society theology class leader.

The first Primary Union meeting held in the new Santa Rosa stake was at Santa Rosa February 26. After a short meeting, 56 Primary workers assembled and held a get-acquainted party. Pres. Byrne was present along with our stake Primary president, Irene Hartup, her counselors and secretary. They all gave short talks. Refreshments were served.

On Feb. 28 a pot luck supper and dance was given by the MIA. During dinner we were entertained by Marion Hill and Herbert Bender, singing with guitar accompaniments. Solos by Ruth Olsen and Irvine Seamons. After community singing the balance of the evening was spent dancing to the music of the Carquinez ward orchestra.

A large crowd from our ward attended the Sweetheart ball in Santa Rosa.

March 4 at the Napa ward Gold and Green Ball, our ward was again represented. Music was by the Carquinez orchestra.

The Stake Road Show under the direction of the MIA was presented in Vallejo Thursday, March 22 for the Carquinez, Vallejo, Napa and Fairfield wards. On Friday, March 23 they traveled to Santa Rosa where they were met by the northern wards and branches, and both groups presented their acts.

Don Bond and George Perry Kahekili Rogers were baptized at the Santa Rosa chapel March 3 and confirmed members of the church in fast meeting the next morning. We wish to congratulate them.

Suzanne, infant daughter of Bishop and Sister Glen Lowry, was blessed by her father. David Richard, son of Tom and Dorafaye Olsen was blessed by his father.

Pittsburg Ward

By THORA M. ASTLE

The presentation of the queen of Pittsburg ward annual Gold and Green Ball on March 10 was unusual and deserves mention and praise in this column. Amid pleasant and gracious surroundings, the reader, Gloria Magleby, took the audience into the realm of fantasy and fairyland as seen through the eyes of a child.

Upon the raised dais of the throne tiny Pamela Searson, daughter of the Willard Searsons, sat dreaming the magic thoughts so typical of childhood, and the sequences of the queen's presentation were the flights of fancy upon which her mind soared.

The queen, lovely and regal, was Shirley May Gibbs, daughter of the Ray Gibbs of Antioch, and her attendants were members of the Gleaner class. After the presentation of the queen's bouquet by Bro. Gibbs, members of the younger groups of the Mutual presented two well prepared, graceful exhibition dances. The pleasant mood thus captured was retained for the balance of the evening and everyone conceded that it had been a most unusual and entertaining dance.

On March 9 at the stake dance festival the following members of the ward presented two dances: Gayle Gibbs, Fraser Hewitt, Betty Hewitt, Ronald Hunt, Gloria Fernandez, Tom Wells, Marlene Roche, Harold Wells, Maureen Wells, Robert Gibbs, Renee Hunt, Joe Stoddard, Evelyn Hood, Betty Mernahan, Dolores Christofferson, Ronald Hughes, Jackie Hughes, Meredith Lundberg, Frances Cline. This group of young people is to be congratulated for its excellent representation of our ward.

The finance program is now in full swing, with additional impetus expected because of the balmy spring weather, for instance, the potluck dinner scheduled for April 6 in the chapel. Also on the agenda are food sales, programs, etc. With a little extra effort this could be a banner year for this project.

Dean of the School of Education of the U. of U. She is a graduate of the LDS Business College in Salt Lake City, where we hear she received straight "A"s in all her courses. She has been participating in the Girls' Chorus of that College, performing in the various high schools of the region. As may be expected of Rose Marie she is carrying on with her genealogical interests.

Berkeley Sec. Ward

Bishop Green is working out details for a new ward project to raise money for the stake building fund. We will soon start to build one of three houses which will be sold. Elmer Harker, general contractor, will supervise the work. Ralph W. Jenson, architect, will draw the plans. The first house will have three bedrooms, two bathrooms, double garage, a large living room, dining room and kitchen. Arthur Hopkins, plumbing contractor, will supervise the plumbing, and Roy Clovis, painting contractor, the painting. We are most fortunate to have these capable men donate their time and effort. We should support them to make this project a success.

The Berkeley Second ward is going to have a variety show May 11 and 12. It will benefit the welfare fund and each church organization will have a skit. Outside talent will also be present. It will be held in the ward's recreation hall. Watch for announcements.

Walter and Myrtle Barrett and Ethel Solburg have returned home but still are confined to their beds. We are thankful their lives were spared in their recent accident.

Margaret Harris is recovering from a recent major operation on her ear. She is still in the hospital, but is making good recovery and will be home soon.

Ada Lindblad, RS president, is in Logan for her parents' wedding anniversary and her father's 88th birthday.

Brother Babock has been doing excellent work with the Junior Sunday school. They have good order and a faithful staff of teachers.

Fifteen scouts and five scout leaders and fathers had a nice week end in the snow at Emigrant Pass. The money the boys made on their Christmas wreaths paid most of their expenses. Dr. Ream went along to take care of any aches, pains or accidents. Laurence Vanberger sprained his ankle doing some fancy maneuvers on his skiis. Wes Odell made arrangements for transportation and cabins; George Hall arranged for food which was super. George had the dunking of his life when he slipped and fell into the icy creek water just as he was ready to take a picture What a picture that dousing would have made! Phil Eyring, Bud Hopkins and Cordell Anderson proved themselves to be excellent skiirs.

Recent advancements and ordinations in the priesthood include: Bill Wood, teacher; Lamarr Briggs, deacon; Gary Liotta, deacon, and Robert Stengel, deacon.

The Boyacks just returned from a trip to Salt Lake City. While they were there they went through the temple as a family group, and Susan was baptized for 15 dead and Don for 12.

Easter services, both morning and the joint evening cantata service, were well attended and inspiring.

Congratulations to Reed Gardner for the excellent programs he arranges at MIA for the Special Interest group. Tom Ferguson's alternate Tuesday class on the Book of Mormon draws an interested number.

KNOW YOUR HIGH COUNCIL

Fred J. Hatt.

Fred J. Hatt was born in Utah but his grandfather (Brother Moses) and his grandmother (Sister Valencia) came on the good ship Brooklyn to Yerba Buena (San Francisco) in 1846. Sister Valencia later became the first Anglo-Saxton to be buried at Mission Delores San Francisco.

When Fred J. Hatt makes his high council visits Sister Hatt, who is a stake missionary, often accompanies him. She also is a fluent speaker. They are sincere, diligent temple workers.

He has been active in church work in Utah, Idaho, Canada and California. While living in Redding he labored with a Lamanite Seventy who had a very strong testimony of the gospel. Together this Pima Indian and Brother Hatt held cottage meetings.

The Hatts came to the Bay area nine years ago, residing in Oakland ward and now in Claremont ward. After the creation of the Berkeley Stake Elder Hatt was chosen as assistant committeeman to Brother William Banks of the Stake Aaronic priesthood committee.

After the death of Brother Banks he was called to fill the vacancy as executive secretary of that committee. He has served in this capacity joyfully and efficiently.

The Hatts have a married son who lives in Richmond and a married daughter who makes her home in Napa. They have four lovely grandchildren.

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SANTA ROSA STAKE CONFERENCE

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dency and three of the High Council was sounded by the first speaker, President John L. Murdock: a kindling of love and charity in hearts of FAITH, LOVE AND DEVOTION.

" The one thing most needed in the work of the Lord is love and unity as expressed so frequently by the Savior in his last days with his disciples as recorded in chapters 13 to 17 in the Gospel of John," said President Murdock. "Be one in Brotherhood and we can withstand the powers of evil, and against all evil. Loyalty to the Cause is the great principal, and surrender of self. We each must learn to surrender some personal feelings and desires, and to unite in the work as it rolls forth. Joy thus fills the heart," he declared. "I have come to love the members of the High Council and of the presidency. I have no selfish desire and I know that this is their spirit also. Let us be humble, devoted, loving and united in the bonds of love for one another.'"

"The righteous have been gathered from all nations as predicted," said Rex Bridges, senior high councilor. "We all are children of early missionaries who went forth in rags and in poverty declaring that the heavens had been again opened. What did they have to draw the people to their message against all the mighty opposition? They had no money, no influence, but they had a knowledge that they were the servants of Almighty God, and they were humble and submissive. All saints must obtain the Spirit by the prayer of faith. We can't convert anyone or be effective in our ministry without Spirit."

Concluding Elder Bridges said, "This is not an earthly but a heavenly work. Let us labor with our might and get the endowment of the Holy Spirit according to the promises unto us."

"We all come hungering and thirsting after righteousness," said Elder Wm. K. Davis of Ukiah, member of the High Council. "We also know that it is easy to praise, but we must remember that Paul told the saints how suddenly some would turn to earthly things. But Paul knew that the gospel is the power of God unto salvation that it puts us on the proper road, and that some day we shall become strong. Paul also gave the greatest of all symbols—the body of a man with each part important to the life of the whole.

So is the Church the body of Christ, an eternal body, and each member is a part of that body and must do his and her assigned duty or all suffer. We must try to bring all into functioning, reflecting the glory of God in every action and thought. Then we may truly glorify God."

"Growth is the essential element of the Gospel," declared Elder Otto Mathews of the High Council. "Man must ever be in a state of progression. The initial endowment matters little. Growth will come as we do act according to free agency. The possessor of truth must give that truth to others. In this Spirit we must go working among the adult Aaronic group."

"Blessings untold have been showered upon me," declared Elder Knowlton of the stake presidency. "I can say with President Murdock that there is love between the members of the stake presidency. I enjoy working with my brethern though I feel very humble."

Elder Reed Keller of the High Council said that about fifty per cent of the Aaronic boys are inactive and must be brought back. He told the moving story from a late number of the Era, entitled, "Come back, my Boy. Come back." A young man had joined the Church to please the girl he wished to marry, but soon began to go with worldly groups, to drink a little and then a lot. Tho he could see the hurt in his wife's eyes he kept on. One evening a brother called at the home. By showing love and patience, and the Spirit of truth, this man gradually made the come-back and is now an active and powerful member.

Dr. Mark Brockbank of the High Council told of meeting Elder Joseph F. Merrill and Dr. Widsoe in 1929 at the great Boy Scout Jamboree in Europe

The subject of the address of President Thomas C. Byrne was "My Testimony." "I have seen no visions, I have heard no voices, but I know in the full meaning of that word that God lives and that the Gospel is true," he declared.

"How many have felt and know this feeling—the feeling that comes over one when he knows that God is with him? It is the strongest power and influence that comes into one's life.

"And this blessing is not given to put under a bushel. Activity in the Church, doing something to advance the work is essential. It has been my privilege to be the president of a Branch of the Church of Christ and it has given me much joy. I know that in my new work in this stake much is expected of me and of us all, or terrible will be our regrets.

"I urge you to take these two books," (holding the Bible and the Triple Combination of the D. and C., the B. of M. and the P. of G. P.) and to study them and then to ask God to give you the most precious thing in life, a testimony that they are true. Then bear this testimony to friends and to your children. Read these books. Share your testimony with others and you will have fullness of joy and blessings."

Beautiful music for the sessions was rendered by the Singing Mothers of the two Vallejo wards led by Almeda Nielsen. Special numbers were rendered by Nico D. Snell and his son, Nico, and others, including a duet in which Wm. K. Davis of the High Council sang a lovely tenor part.

Elder Joseph F. Merrill spoke impressively on Joseph Smith. Since The Messenger printed exerpts from these themes last issue in reporting the Berkeley stake conference where Elder Merrill spoke most beautifully on the same general hemes, we do not repeat them again. No grander sermons are heard than these by Elder Merrill.

Briscoes on Missions

Mrs. Maud Dunford Briscoe of Santa Rosa reports that their daughter and their son are enjoying their respective missionary labors. Joyce is in the Eastern States Mission and is in Washington, D. C., while Elder Briscoe is in Alabama. Both were sent from Maxwell Park ward.

Mrs. Briscoe adds that both would like to receive the Messenger.

(The editor wishes it known that all our missionaries are entitled to receive the Messenger, and it will be sent them gladly if only they or their families send in correct names and addresses, and then inform us of changes of address, and time of release to return home.)

● We are sorry to hear of the late injury to Mrs. Maurine P. Fuhriman the east Oakland lady realtor. A loosened truck crashed into Bro. and Sis. David Fuhriman home at 1018 Winsor Avenue.

● Our friend Arthur L. Hopkins, Berkeley second ward and plumber in El Cerrito, is one of a group contributing their time in the Berkeley Second ward's welfare project of constructing homes for sale. Others, likewise, contributing are Roy Clovis, painting contractor, and Elmer Harker, construction contractor.

Dean At U. of U. Nets High Award

(Special to the Deseret News)

New York—A Utahn who has formulated a single equation by which all chemical and molecular changes can be predicted, was accorded one of the highest honors in chemistry March 2, 1951.

The recipient, Dean Henry Eyring of the University of Utah graduate school, was given the William H. Nichols medal at a dinner of the New York section of the American Chemical Society.

Application of this theory and equation, he explained, accounts for transmission of nerve impulses to the muscles, prevention of bacterial growth by sulfa drugs, the behavior of metals and textile fibers, and even the shattering of glass.

Chemical changes involved in disease and cure of disease, in thinking, and in the driving force of living cells depend upon the rate at which the electrical bond which binds molecules together is broken, he said.

The field of theoretical chemistry, Dean Eyring said, is aimed at determining what makes atoms and molecules behave as they do. He is a member of the Deseret Sunday School board.

Liahona Club

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land, Monday, March 26, 1951.

members, coming from Hayward

On that date the Liahona Club all the way 'round to Richmond, resembled, it seems, a college seminar as they sat about the "T"-shaped dinner tables in rather studious attention to the reading of a new form of the old Constitution with a few adjustments for a certain enlargement of the Club's functional operations. The old "Prof" doing most of the reading, but sometimes calling on Sam Scott, or Dennis Lauper or I. B. Ball to pick up the smaller paragraphs and read them for voting—the old "Prof" (to carry out the seminar figure) was none other than the lawyer-president of the club, A. D. Ericksen.

Now to clear up this whole matter to the reader, let be said that the Liahona Club is to become a legal "non-profit corporation" so that it may better carry out the major project of the Club for this year, namely, the completion of the "Liahona Lodge" on the club's 15-acre Campsite on the great Stanislaus in the High Sierras.

This incorpartion of the club, you see, will hereafter protect the individuals of the club as individuals from being legally liable for any obligation that may possibly fall upon the club in its rather extensive operations of erecting and operating the Liahona Lodge and its surrounding campsite.

But this change in the status of the Club as made the occasion, in fertile brain of the president, for extending the basic structure of the board of directories. Adopted was a plan dividing the area in which the club operates into three districts: (1) Oakland, Dimond and Alameda wards; (2) The balance of Oakland stake; (3) all of Berkeley stake.

From each of these districts there are to be elected annually five club dirctors, a number which will give representation to most of the wards. These five district directors will, in each case, meet and elect a chairman. These three chairmen, together with the club officers become the executive committee of the club.

Since it is required by law that the present organization in applying for incorporation to submit the names of the board of directors to serve until the next club election, the following were approved: District (1) Alameda, Oakland and Dimond wards: Heber W. Brown, Clyde Russell, Marion Caldwell, Charles Stamps and Ira B. Call.

District (2) The balance of Oakland stake: Leonard Lyon, Ross McClellan, Clyde Lindsay and E. K. Ferguson.

District (3) All of Berkeley stake: Sam Scott, Curt Millward, Leonard Aiken, I. B. Ball and Arthur L. Hopkins.

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to understand the meaning of that civilization's strange pulsations, we may learn what stimulated its success and brought about its failures." The Book of Mormon tells exactly the forces that brought about the success and then the failure of this civilization of which the learned doctor wrote so hopefully in 1945 after his explorations.

It will be interesting to hear this man lecture and see his slides, the result of 20 years in archeology.

Maxwell Pk. Ward

We are happy to welcome two new members into the ward. Harvey Hansen and Fran Kitzberger were baptized and confirmed by Robert Paine this month. May the Lord's blessings rest upon them and their families, that they may continue as faithful and diligent workers in the Church.

The ward Gold and Green Ball was a lovely affair. The MIA officers should be commended for arranging such a fine dance. Jean Bramwell was chosen queen and was crowned by Bishop Bybee. The mutual presented Jean and her attendant, Beverly Hamilton, with lovely gold and green jewelry cases.

The stake play, "Junior Miss," was a great success. We congratulate all who helped in its presentation, especially the members of the cast from our ward: John Krage, Connie Markham, Bev Hamilton and Ruth Thomas.

We also congratulate Patsy Craig and Leslie Heath, winners of the recent talent show. As a result, they were chosen to sing a number in the Star-Time Varieties. Both have lovely voices; we want to hear them again very soon.

Twelve young people from the ward went skiing at Emigrant Gap a few weeks ago, one of the annual trips to the snow sponsored by the Fireside group.

Two fine families have moved from the ward. The Rodney Pococks have moved to Alameda. We'll truly miss them for they have been active in many organizations, especially the Primary, Mutual and Sunday School. We'll greatly miss their talents in our ward.

Winnie and Charlie Martin have purchased a home in Elmhurst ward. We'll also miss them and their little daughter. The story of Winnie's conversion has been an inspiration to many of us. Through her missionary work she has helped many others to realize the truthfulness of the Gospel. Our blessings go with them in their new home.

Relief Society held a baby shower for Margaret Wright on March 2, in the home of Mabel Kitzberger. They presented her with a nightgown, bed jacket and blanket.

The Easter morning services at the ward were truly inspirational. A scriptural reading of the savior's life was presented. The ward choir, directed by Gladys Olsen, rendered several numbers. Leslie Heath and Jane Boetes also presented some songs. The children held their meeting separately from the adults. Each child received a little Easter basket.

Our missionaries have written that they would like to hear from some of the people here at home, if they can find time to write. Following are two of their addresses: Joyce Briscoe, 520 Gilmoure Drive, Silver Spring, Maryland and Vivian Williams, 226 Adelaide S. E., Warren, Ohio.

Dimond Ward News

DONNA PEARCE, Reporter.

Those missing our Green and Gold dance really missed a nice ball. The procession was one of the most colorful we've had. Our queen, Vernell Torgersen, was lovely. Maureen and Doreen Heiner were the flower girls and Richard Pearce the crown bearer. The MIA Maids and Explorers waltzed around the Maypole.

The anniversary program and luncheon of our Relief Society was held on March 13. All the past presidents and counselors were honored.

Sister Adela Swensen has done excellent work in the Relief Society for a good many years. Edna Torgerson, a counselor, will be our new president. She has chosen as her placement counselor, Hattie Robinson and Secretary Ruby Donnelly.

There is reason for more happiness in the home of Eugene and Joyce Hilton and Douglas and Ruth Swanson—the reason—little daughters.

Our ward had a good representation going to Mesa on the temple excursion. Those attending were: Mary Russell, Clyde Russell, Don Russell, Joan Russell, Marie Pearce, Chlo Call, Rosalind Call, Thurza Boyle, Vernell Torgerson, Donna Wilkinson, Margaret Allen, Hazel Allen, Suzanne Poulton and Eleanor Goodsell. We were sorry to hear of the accident of five of our boys attending the excursion, but glad they were not hurt too seriously although the car was a total wreck. The boys in the car were Don Brown, Art Daniels, Don Van Noy, Blair Mason and Lanny Compton.

Facts That Illuminate

Deseret News editorial recently printed answers to queries put to H. S. graduates: (1) How much profit do you think the average American corporation makes? Answers averaged 50 per cent. Facts: 6 per cent. (2) How much do you think that plants, factories and equipment represent as investment per worker. Answers averaged $81. Facts: about $8,000! (3) How much do you think the stockholders receive as annual dividends on invested capital? Answers averaged 24 per cent. Facts for 1929, a good year: 3 per cent.

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Vivid Letter From Elder Reed Welchoff

From The Mormoneer, Hayward Ward.

The editor is in receipt of the following letter under date of February 15, from Elder Reed Welchoff, who is serving in the Swiss Mission:

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"These past few weeks I have been called to work in the Mission Headquarters. In the meantime I am enjoying Basel life immensely and have been priviledged to be here during the famous Fassnacht Celebrations. You may have heard of them. It is the Swiss rendition of the Mardi Gras.

"It all began Monday morning at the ungodly hour of three in the morning, and the celebrations never rest for a week. . . .

The people have gone literally insane and stay that way for a good long while.

"Monday afternoon three of us from the office staff decided to take our lives into our hands and go down town. The streets were so jammed and the current of people so strong we just let ourselves get carried along with the crowd. We were soon separated in the confusion, but I was determined to see everything that was going on, so I began pushing my way to the front.

"Everwhere the thumpings of the drums and the screetchings of flutes could be heard which seemed to put everyone in a mood of participation. Soon some big, tall horses, ridden by men dressed as knights in flashing armor, started clearing the way thru the Market Platz in order for a parade to make its way through. I had m ycamera with me and batted my way to the center. First came a troop of giant devils dressed in red. The colors were hilarious. It gave me the feeling of seeing a bright technicolor film. I must have lost all my senses an in my overanxiety to be in good positions to take pictures, I stepped on a lady's toes. Instead of saying anything, she hit me on the head with her umbrella and then told me what I had done. Before I could apologize, someone threw confetti in m yface and so I decided rudeness was the theme of the party.

"Like a press agent I took my camera to the middle of the street and ignored the whaling crowd behind me. All of a sudden the wheel of a float ran over my toes, and as I bent over in pain a woman dressed as a barroom queen, with a bottle of whiskey in one hand squirted me with fly spray with the other. Nothing daunted me, but I bravely met the situation and went on shooting pictures. If the slides turn out, I will show them to you when I come home.

After this exhausting afternoon I came back to the office and spent a peaceful afternoon and evening plucking off pieces of confetti, repolishing shoes and mending my buttons back on my coat. I would not have missed it for the world, but I'm dreading any further contact with the Fassnacht Celebrations.

"At two o'clock in the morning I was awakened by the sound of drums just outside my bedroom window. They lasted for a half hour in which time I became thoroughly awake and reminded of the more peaceful days when I was a regular missionary enjoying the peace and quiet of the country. There, my only worries were cold weathr unusual diets and slammed doors. Those things have become a very happy part of my life, and woundn't trade them for all the gold in India. . . . .

"There has never been the success in this Mission that is now found and it is wonderful to me to think I am a part of the working wheel of the Lord. But we realize it is the spirit of the Lord which is causing it and His be the honor.

"I want to also thank those responsible for sending me The Messenger and the Mormoneer."

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Oakland Stake's Startime Varieties

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Evan Harbrecht; the piano duet by Jay Welsh and Rollin Jensen, two local winners of the talent quest· and the "Minestrone 4," a sort of college capers vocal quartet.

But the "Home Coming" for the King Sisters and presentation of memorial albums by President Delbert F. Wright, the opening and closing prayers by the counselors in the stake presidency (a feature of LDS entertainments that is eloquent of the meaning of life and its unity), the free visiting during the intermission and at the close of the program in the spacious lobbies and in the great isles of the theatre, and, withal, the thrill of being one of the great assemblage of happy Church members enjoying the best in the land in wholesome and talented entertainment in the greatest and most beautiful auditorium and theatre in northern California—these side-lights were still integral parts of the enjoyment of a unique evening. Thank you, Oakland stake!

The whole affair sprang into being when President Wright conferred with Ben Summerhays, a theatrical agent in Los Angeles, who formerly resided in Dimond ward, and who had been the power behind a similar huge presentation by Engelwood last fall in which Brother Wright had seen when he went there with Roy Weindorf and Darrell Monson.

L. M. Hoopes became executive chairman with Roy Weindorf as associate; Tom Pine and A. P. Heiner did great things in handling the accounting; and Herb Van Noy and Dennis Lauper got out the program with its ads, assisted by Fred Haycock, J. Howard Dunn cared for the properties, and Catherine Marsh mothered the newspaper publicity and advertising. Production manager was Glenn C. Shaw and stage manager was Jerry Morton of KLX.

The Bishops' Council was a power in ward ticket sales and advertising.

The Berkeley Gazette rated the Star-Time Varieties one of the highlights of the 1950-51 theatrical season in the East Bay. It served well in placing our people favorably before the entire population of Metropolitan Oakland. It was eminently worthwhile for that reason alone, it is felt.

Napa Ward News

NAOMI O. CANDLAND.

Our Ward Gold and Green Ball held March 9 was a huge success. Barbara Stubbs was chosen our queen. Barbara was chosen because of her active participation in the ward; and her regular attendance at Sunday School, Sacrament meetings and Mutual.

We enjoyed making acquaintances from Fairfield, Vallejo and Carquinez.

March 16 marked the annual Relief Society birthday party. A potluck dinner was served and a movie provided the program.

The Primary held an Easter egg hunt March 22. Our church site was the ideal setting and 63 youngsters had a wonderful time singing their Primary songs, playing games and climaxed by the hunt for the eggs.

Harold and Maxine Constable welcomed a new daughter April 25. Bro. Constable is our ward clerk. He and Sister Constable have two other daughters, Carol and Leslie.

Sister Myrtle Pitcher has sold her home here and will be moving to San Bernadino soon, where she will be with her children and sisters We will miss Sister Pitcher, she has been very active in our Relief Society and Genealogical committee

We welcome to our ward Bishop and Sister Jack Johnsen from Vallejo. Also Brother and Sister Myron Stanley from Oroville.

Our Easter service program, provided by the different classes of the Sunday school, commemorating the resurrection of our Savior, was enjoyed by a record attendance of 214 persons.

The work on our building project is nearing completion but help is still needed.

The brethern of the ward say the full moon has been shining brightest at our welfare orchard where they have been spraying the prunes during the evenings the past week.

San Francisco Stake Conference

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are leaving March 29 for Utah where they will spend two weeks vacationing with their daughter and her husband, the Ed Ericksons, and attending conference.

March 9 the Stake Green and Gold Ball was held. A huge crowd attended. The hall was decorated to carry out an "Over the Rainbow" theme, and the ward queens were given their instructions concerning the selection of the Stake Queen in a clever arrangement of the song, "Somewhere, Over the Rainbow," sung by La Von Thomas. As it turned out, lovely Martha Greenland of Sunset ward was the lucky girl and wore the crown placed on her brow by President Lauper. Her attendants became Dorothy Simister of Balboa, Joan Deal of Mission, Darlien Merril of San Francisco, and Betty Rae Jones of San Raphel. Queen Martha has just announced her engagement to Boyd Grossnickle, formerly of Driggs, Idaho. Their wedding is planned for June 27.

Not as large but equally successful was the Gold and Green Ball given for the early teenagers the next night. Mixers, games and folk dances kept the young people on the floor the whole evening. Delicious refreshments were served.

The Stake Primary is proud of its record in the birthday penny appeal. $415.00 were sent in recently and this very soon after the drive for building funds which netted $200.00.

A new plan for taking different ward presidents with the stake officers to visit other wards has met with immediate success. High Trail Days, which are special activity days for the Home and Trailbuilders have been held in several of the wards recently. Balboa Primary showed a film of the Resurrection to this group one day, and on another took them to the Northern California Mission home. President Gardner visited with the children and showed them thru the building. Sunset High Trail Day was a country trip to Marin county. Eleanor Law, President of Mission Ward Primary is taking her children with her and going to conference.

The Stake Sunday School Board paid a recent visit to San Rafael ward Sunday School.

The Stake Mission, under the leadership of Wallace G. Bennett, had 11 new missionaries set apart March 20. They are: Viola Armand, David Rogers, Parley L. Rich, Jean W. Rich, Carla Whitaker, Rosa K. Cohen, Donald R. Davis, Milford R. Conwell, Garth OxBorrow, Merle K. Fairchild and Ina Fechser.

It is extremely interesting news to us San Franciscans that the Chinese Mission headquarters has been moved from China to our own Chinatown.

Bishop and Mrs. Jay A. Quealy, Jr., of the Honolulu ward, with three of their four small sons, arrived by air from the Islands March 4. After a week in San Francisco they left for Northern California and on to Sun Valley, Idaho, for a vacation of several weeks. They will be joined in Salt Lake City the end of March by Mrs. Jay A. Quealy, Sr., where they will attend conference before returning home to Honolulu.

● Jim Lane, the big wholesale hardware salesman of Walnut Creek has changed from a former connections to "Hardware Products Co." of San Francisco, handling largely hardware and licksmith supplies.

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BRIEF BIOGRAPHY

Early church activity helped pave the way for Sister Hope Fitt to a deep testimony of the gospel and the desire to help her fellowman, for at the age of 15, she had the responsibility of teaching little children in her ward in Heber City, Utah. This desire has been fulfilled in many ways.

Sister Fitt completed a two-year mission in the Western States Mission. Perhaps it was during this period that her interest in the nursing profession was more intently aroused as she received nursing care when she found herself hospitalized due to an appendectomy. After her mission release, she graduated from the Brigham Young university and trained for her nursing career at the LDS hospital in Salt Lake City. She received invaluable experience as a registered nurse, working in surgery and obstretics.

Everyone who knows Sister Fitt is charmed indeed by her winning smile, and undoubtedly, Cleon, too, was deeply attracted not only by it, but by the very fine qualities that embrace Hope. They were married in the Salt Lake temple in 1935 and have been blessed with five very fine boys. Perhaps those five boys speak clearer of Sister Fitt's qualities than any words we could find, for behind those boys are hours of patience, understanding and love.

Her philosophy has been with each boy, "If the Lord wants me to have boys, I'll have boys," and the Lord has indeed been wise, for not everyone is equipped with the qualities it requires to be a mother of five boys.

Sister Fitt and her husband have traveled far, having been to New York on two occasions, and having made their home in Washington and Utah, and now here in California for the past four years.

Church activities have always been part of Sister Fitt's busy life. She has been in the Mutual presidency, on the Stake MIA board, in the Primary presidency, and in the Relief Society presidency in the various wards in which she has resided. Is it any wonder she was chosen to be the Relief Society president, an office which also carries another honored title—"mother of the branch?"

WARD NEWS

We are indeed happy to welcome back with us Margie and Bob Hayden after their sad experience of taking their little daughter back to Neosho, Mo., for burial.

Our young people continue to have a gay and wonderful time, their latest caper being an evening of ice skating.

After 10 months of enjoying the association of Elder J. Lynn McBride, a full-time missionary, we have been forced to tell him goodbye as he has been transferred to Vallejo. We have seen the fulfillment of the saying, "only green things grow," for the growth that we have witnessed in Elder McBride since he entered the mission field has been a wonderful experience to us all.

The Special Interest class of the MIA is really putting forth something of special interest to all of that age. We urge you to come and learn ceramics, photography, textile painting, the art of making corsages, and many, many other interesting crafts. Be Mutual minded. Be a Mutual member!

Jeep Trails thru Utah

If you would enjoy a humorous and fast-moving movie, crisscrossing Utah by jeep—familiar sights at Salt Lake City, Bryce and Zion Canyons, Great Salt Lake and Monument Valley, Goblin Valley Prehistoric Indian Cliff Dwellings and the High Unitahs, then perhaps you will wish to see and hear Stan Midgley in his appearance at Wheeler Hall, Tuesday, April 24, at 8 p.m., admission 70 cents.

● Ed A. Pyle, Solano avenue photographer, does the photography work for the Berkeley Realty Board, taking and duplicating the pictures of every home on their multi-listing system. Ed is also serving as Sunday School superintendent of the Berkeley First ward.

Mesa Temple Caravan

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makes all the devotional services mornings and evenings, delightful.

Eleven couples were at the temple for marriage Thursday evening, so that it was one o'clock before the temple closed.

Five of our caravan boys were in a serious auto accident on the highway between Phoenix and Mesa—almost at the end of the journey. The boys were asleep in the car at the time, and the driver also dozed for a moment and the car crashed. It was a total wreck and had to be sold for junk. The boys, however, were found to have received only bruises or minor cuts except Don Brown, who had a laceration over his right eye which necessitated a few stitches.

President Payne gave Don a special blessing, and arranged a special baptism service so that the other four boys—Blain Mason, Don Van Noy, Lennie Compon and Clyde Russell—were able to perform baptisms for the dead. Art Daniels had already left for Oakland with Sister Shaw.

Brother and Sister Charles C. Carr, he formerly bishop of Oakland and also of Claremont wards, now ordained temple workers were on hand to welcome all the Oakland caravan members and to do service for them.

Ivy Breck joined at Pittsburg the group that went by train and had us rejoicing over the baptism of her husband into the Church. She also related an interesting story as follows:

The Relief Society and Priesthood quorums of Brentwood Branch joined in a branch turkey social dinner. They desired choice birds and so went to a recommended turkey raiser. When he heard they were members of the Church he gave them one as a compliment along with those they had purchased. This, he said, was because his former wife had been a Mormon.

The branch members then invited the man and his present wife to attend the dinner. They came· became interested in the Church, and have now become members in Brentwood. They were baptised the same day on which Ivy's husband, Sam Breck, entered the Church.

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Sunset Ward

Off well before dawn March 26 en route to Mesa, Arizona, were Kent and Millie Peterson, Seymour and Jane Steed. They will spend several days in temple work, returning late the following Friday. A ward excursion has been planned to the same temple leaving June 18 and returning June 23. The first Sunday in April the ward Genealogical organization is putting on a play written by one of its members, Alvina Mairs. Called, "The Wheat and the Tares," it promises to be most interesting.

April 1 will find tyo more of our fine young men in the service. Paul Thomson reports to Hamilton Field and Cliff Jones, who last month was married to Roma Tucker in the St. George Temple, will go to Montana. Keith Griffiths is already at Fort Ord and Alan Coogan at Fort Roberts.

A great favorite with the young people of the ward, George Davidson, better known as "Unc," recently underwent surgery at the Marine Hospital. Brother John Kenison is ill in St. Luke's Hospital.

The choir of Sunset ward obtained tickets to and attended the Standard Symphony together March 4. After several weeks of intensive rehearsals, preparing the cantata, "Eastertide" for Easter, the following practise period will be used for a party.

Both the Teachers and Deacons' quorums have been reorganized. The new officers of the Teachers are J. Bonner Ritchie, President; Don Redford, Counselor; Raymond Stein, Secretary. The Deansons' President is Garry Boyd, with Bobbie Stein and Richard Noyes, counselors, and Jimmie Kansler, Secretary. Robert Jones has been ordained a Priest.

The popular Fireside Group that meets on Sunday evening after Church has been divided. A young married group and a young people's group. Interesting subjects are studied and guest speakers along cultural lines are frequently invited to attend.

In preparation for the coming canning season three members of the ward, Jane Steed, Roxie Kansler and Irwin McDonald have attended a canning school in the East Bay, each day for a week.

San Francisco Ward

Two of Sunset's girls, Cleone McLane and Claudia Lauper, took the leading parts in the term play put on by the Lincoln high school. Rehearsals were planned so as not to interfere with the "Mormon Sunday school teachers."

Deeply shocked were members of San Francisco ward by the sudden death of William A. Merrill, February 23. A member of the secret service for nearly 25 years and head of it in this area for the past seven years, Brother Merrill had handled many important assignments. He is survived by his widow, Ellen, the beloved president of S. F. ward Relief Society, and a daughter, Darlien.

Former members of the ward, the Virgil Atkinsons visited here Feb. 25 from Marysville. Daughter Carol is engaged to be married. Also soon to be wed is Bill Rock who is attending school in Iowa, and will marry a recent convert from Independence, Mo.

Tom and Genevieve Morgan are leaving San Francisco to make their home in Ogden, Utah, and according to the pleasant custom of San Francisco ward were given an opportunity to talk in church Sunday evening, March 25, to bid farewell to their many friends.

Ralph Smith, a grandson of Pres. George Albert Smith, and lately married to Ruth Armand, has been appointed a junior chaplain. Jack and Lee Taylor are leaving for Spokane, where Jack will enter the service.

Jimmy Lambert and Bill Wood were in town over the Easter week end from their studies at the Y. Bill's mother is seriously ill, and Jimmy accompanied him home on a short trip.

A son was born February 22 to Ruth and Joe Brown. To be named Randall, he has a small sister.

An Easter cantata was given Sunday evening, March 25, by the choir. Titled "As it began to dawn," it presented as soloists Ruth Brown, Henry Pardini, Neil Sorenson, Donna Jorter and Joana Wells. LaVon Thomas was the director and Barbara Walker, accompanist.

● The Utah Poultry Association, selling at home and on both the New York City and the Los Angeles markets did over $20,000,000 of business in 1950.

● Artist Arnold Friberg, head of the University of Utah department of commercial art and illustration, specializes himself in cowboy and Canadian Mounties and Indians' pictures. Two big national calendar firms contract for his work.

● Salt Lake City has had to pass an anti-lion ordinance in order to have a doctor and his wife give up the custom of keeping as a house pet, "Major Sheridan," a 140-pound lion which they have raised from a little chap. Merely moving across the line into the doctor, as the county is re- county may not long help the ported preparing its own anti-lion law.

Inter-Mountain News Notes

● The Idaho Farm Bureau and Gates Bros., of Wendell, Idaho, manufacturers of phosphate fertilizers, have a mutual contract whereby the Bureau agrees to buy the total fertilizer output and also to have the rights to buy one-half of the company. Idaho phosphate rock deposits are the largest in the nation.

● UAC, Logan, Utah, has signed as its new football coach, John O. Rining, University of Michigan backfield mentor, to regenerate fading football fortunes.

● Mrs. Richard Hudnut, widow of the famous cosmetics manufacturer, will attend the opening of the new University of Utah art gallery and museum in March. Then her $500,000 gift of art objects will be opened to the public. Likewise the Hatch gift collection of art objects will be displayed in one special room at the gallery.

The Church has approved plans for building a chapel at Frankfort, headquarters of the West German Mission.

● Two new stakes were formed in the area south and easterly from Salt Lake City. They are Wilford and Murray stakes.

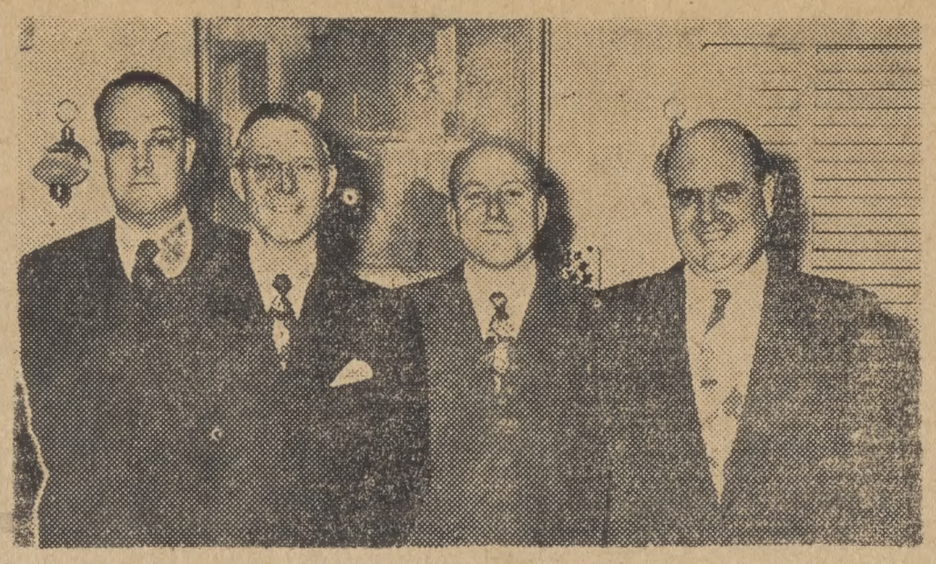
● A new oil well as just been brought in near Monticello in Southeast Utah.

● Construction of the Tooele County deseret area chemical warfare plant at "Dugway," Utah, is making notable progress. Total cost will be over $20,000,000.

● Snake River sturgeon often weigh a quarter of a ton, and catches of 200 lb. fish are not unusual. White sturgeon could pass for salmon or tuna except for its white color.

● The U of U accepted a check for $50,000 from the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis. Half of the money will pay for large shipments of monkeys for purposes of conducting research under the direction of Dr. Louis R. Gebhardt. The Foundation says that the University of Utah is making more strides than any other research group in the country in polio studies.

● Salt refineries on the shores of the Great Salt Lake "Harvest" more than 80,000 tons annually, a crop worth several million dollars each year. The lake's salt, being 99.5 per cent pure, needs very little processing.



THE CALLING of Bishop Glen V. Lowry to the new Santa Rosa stake high council necessitated the reorganization of the Carquinez ward bishopric. The reorganization was taken care of by the stake presidency the early part of February, at which time David A. Harris was sustained as bishop. Left to right: J. Dow Johnson, first counselor. Bishop Harris, Lorenzo H. Mitton, second counselor, and Leonard G. Johnson, ward clerk.

Balboa Ward

Brother and Sister Lewis Allen and the latter's mother, Edith Blomquist, returned recently from Utah where they attended the wedding of their son, Douglas, to Marilyn Miles. The ceremony was held March 16 in the Salt Lake temple and a reception was held the same evening at the bride's home in Ephriam. Bishop and Sister Cummings of Balboa are leaving at the end of the month to attend the wedding of their daughter, Jeanine, to Will Tolbert, Apr. 5.

Home just a little earlier than planned is David Simister who after a mission in England, traveled for some time in Europe. He was the speaker at the evening Easter service. He will return to Salt Lake City with his family for conference.

Roger Williams has been called into the service.

Balboa is reorganizing its boys program. Edward Howard is the newly appointed scout master with Bud Jenson in charge of the indoor activities and Douglas Gordon the outdoor. Both of these young men have done terrific things in scouting and with Brother Howard at the head of their troop will make an important place for themselves. The Howards recently became parents of their fourth child and second daughter. She will be named Carla.

Under the direction of Leona Hales who, with her husband, Henry, and their baby, moved here from Denver, the choir has been reorganized and is making good progress.

San Leandro News

By VERNA JACKSON.

GREETINGS

The month of March has been filled with activity and although ward functions were perhaps lessened to some extent, many of the members found themselves exceptionally busy. We refer, of course, to the Star-Time Varieties. We are glad to have had a part in its success. We are proud of San Leandro's cooperative spirit and the willingness with which ward members did their part. Especially do we say "congratulations" to our J. C. "Pat" Calhoun, yho headed the stake in the amount of advertising sold—over $400 worth.

Two very fine services marked our ward's observance of Easter Day. The chapel and adjoining Relief Society room barely held the more than 400 persons who met together Sunday morning. It was an inspirational meeting in every way. In the evening Bro. Richard Smead, former bishop of the San Mateo ward, was guest speaker and again te chapel was well filled. Special Easter music was beautifully sung by the ward choir.

To "see yourself as others see you" you should have been at the Primary family movie, Thursday, March 22. Some of us did not feel too flattered while others made quite the camera study. The views of Hawaii taken by the Roy Bauer family during their stay in the Islands, were beautiful. We hope the evening was a financial success.

It's "congratulations" AGAIN to our San Leandro ward basketball team. (Our trophies must be on display. This time it is the Industrial basketball league championship. Our team is not eligible for the Church league. Apparently in basketball a man is not "as old as he feels" but instead, he's as old as his years.

One of the team, Paul Barker, who is presently wit the U. S. Navy, has received orders to continue his duties with the USS Shangri La. We have enjoyed Paul's assistance in the ward for the past couple of years and will miss him very much.

Another of our faithful ward members to join the U. S. Navy is Allan Davidson. At present Allan is in San Diego getting his first taste of Navy life. He is scheduled to be assigned to radar school and we are hoping the assignment will be Treasure Island.

Everything good to you both and best wishes from San Leandro ward.

Bishop Jackson has asked that the following be read carefully by all ward members:

"We will soon be starting on a program of ward teaching that will embrace every family in the ward. Our goal will be complete coverage each month. The bishopric asks that you welcome your ward teachers. They will have worthwhile messages for you. Turn off your television set and call your family together for the few moments they are with you. You will find the time you spend with your ward teachers most profitable."

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Oak. Stake Conf.

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Hilda Perkins for her long and efficient service, cited the fact that the stake geneological committee had just completed a caravan to the Mesa temple taking 45 adults and 20 children for work in the temple, and announced that the stake Welfare program had gained a net sum of $6000 as a result of the Star-Time Varieties.

A trophy was awarded for the most outstanding Aaronic priesthood work to Dimond ward because the three quorums in that ward ere above the church standing. This beautiful trophy will be awarded each conference.

Mark Garff stated that if Oakland stake saints all paid an honest fast offering the stake would have $18,000 annually to care for its needy, instead of the $6,000 it gets along with at present.

Elder Lee reminded us that we are all here on earth on our way back "home." This is our schooling period. We are to prepare for a partnership with Jesus, the Christ. But some of us are confused, and do not listen to the prophets of God. The church was organized for a defense against the day when the wrath of God will be poured out without measure.

He said he had heard the saying, "If you keep the boys clean and virtuous, the girls will be alright;" and "If you train a boy, you train an individual, but if you train a girl, you train a whole family."

Elder Lee said the General Authorities are constantly getting qusetions regarding points of doctrine. The advice now is that all consult the bishopric and the stake presidency first; then if these cannot answer the questions, let them send them on to the General Authorities.

He told of a Negro member of the church who beheld in tears some LDS quarrelling, swearing, and then fighting over a business dispute. The Negro said, "These men are dishonoring their priesthood, a thing that I am denied and to receive which I would allow my skin to be peeled from my body. But they treat this sacred priesthood so lightly." And he wept for them.

Others who spoke were Don Bennion, and returned missionaries, Janeth Evans and Don Russell.

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Keep on the right track. Remember the "frog" in a railroad switch is only a very small piece of steel, but it can make all the the trains that run over it. So difference in the destination of also if one gets switched off the Gospel track by some little thing, it can make all the difference in the world in the destiny of that individual.—President Sessions.

Stars are seen only at night. So also personality shines best during times of what seems to be the night of the soul—periods of stress, afflictions, trials and sacrifices.

The test of the gospel is what it can do in the lives of the true saints and converts — raising or changing the ideals, hopes, attitudes, uniting families, causing one to think more seriously about life, but more joyously.

I received a sorrowful letter this week from a LDS lady who has stepped aside from the path of morality. She now fears that it will not be right to marry a good, clean man such as those she now associates with since her mistake. She is troubled about her exaltation. Thus sin destroys peace and leaves its sorrows even tho the Lord forgives us upon true repentence.

Immorality is destroying more souls than anything else. The LDS's stand on purity of life is the greatest thing we have to offer. A contaminated body will contaminate a clean soul. Living the Gospel brings happiness, joy, and peace.—Pres. Thomas Gardner.

TESTIMONIES OF THE ELDERS

1. I have seen our Lamanite brethern change until they seem to be different beings no longer Indians, but saints in the Lord. I know the Gospel of Jesus Christ is the true plan of salvation.

2. It has been the happiest two years of my life. I can see the change it has made in my life, in the lives of converts, and in the lives of other elders.

3. The Lord makes our weaknesses our strength. This is how the transformation comes about. I haven't converted anyone; I can't convert anyone; God does that.

Business Notes

● Perhaps many of the friends of Harold R. Gaisford received the impressively presented announcement of his new position as special agent of the Penn Mutual Life Insurance Company, Forrest J. Curry S. F. General Agency. Harold has been associated with Station KSFO for the last few years, and before that with KLX as sales manager. No one who knows genial "Hal" can help but wish him great pleasure and success in building a professional career in life underwriting.

● Harold R. Gaisford has won national honors through qualifying as a leader in his division in competition ith more than 2000 members of the country-wide field force of the Penn Mutual Life Insurance Company.

In recognition of his outstanding production record Mr. Gaisford has been invited to attend a two-day intensivee educational conference at the company's home office in Philadelphia to be held March 29 and 30.

● Don Kimball, the El Cerrito and San Leandro Trailer dealer, and Sister Kimball left Monday, March 20, for Palm Springs for a rest of three to four weeks. They are traveling in their own spacious trailer which also will provide them a home while in Palm Springs. Mrs. Kimball is still convalescing from a bone fracture.

LDS INSTITUTE

NEWS ITEMS

The National Convention of Lambda Delta Sigma will be held in Salt Lake City at the University of Utah Institute of Religion April 4 and 5. Our Berkeley Chapter will be represented by the following delegates: Mr. and Mrs. Lee Kenner, Laura Summerhays, Julia Ellsworth, Georgia Jensen, Yvonne Horta, Scott Barrett, Lee Adams, Warren Blosil, Gene Bramhall, Dorothy Harker and Roy Wagner.

Melva Donaldson reports she has been assigned to the North Central Mission as a missionary for the LDS Church.

Evelyn Palmer, an associate of the LDS Institute, is now serving in the New England States Mission.

Clyde Gardner and Don Van Slooten report they are on full time duty bombing the Reds in North oKrea.

Dr. and Mrs. Franklin L. West visited the Berkeley LDS Institute of Religion recently. Dr. West is commissioner of all the LDS schools and director of the Church educational program.

Miss Virginia Wilder, a student of the Institute, was recently baptised and confirmed a member of the Church.

Many of the students reported at their respective homes to spend Easter: Mr. and Mrs. Cravens Wanless, Cecil Carmack and Dick Roberts ent to Los Angeles; Mr. and Mrs. Donald Beaugard journeyed to Bishop.

Dick Evans of St. Louis, Mo., and Leo Gill of Pocatello both Naval ROTC, were on the high seas taking special training under the direction of Uncle Sam this week end.

Hayward Ward News

By ANN LIVINGSTON

Bro. Asa B. Cox died after a long and trying illness. He was buried in his temple robes. Bishop Webb directed the services.——Brother Bodily was called to Utah by the death of his mother.——February 26 the Boy Scouts held a parents-scout meeting to discuss plans for a Diamond-O for the coming season. Moving pictures of previous excursions were shown. Doughnuts and cocoa rounded out the evening.

A farewell party honoring Sister Lamb was held in the home of Aura Kirk. The Lambs are moving to Sacramento. March 11 Gerald Sweet was ordained to the Aaronic priesthood as a deacon. March 18 three of our newer converts were advanced in the priesthood to the office of priest They were: Rod Wilson, Russel Stuart and James Butler. Congratulations.

The ward enjoyed the Star-Time Varieties very much. It turned out fine except for Burton Ray and Norma Affles who were left in Berkeley. Each family thought that the other had them. At 3:30 a.m. two weary mothers returned from the Berkeley police department with their tired young ones.

The Relief Society held a very beautiful conference with the Singing Mothers giving most of the program.——It is nice to have President Bodily back after her lengthy illness.

The bishop admonishes us to get back in the harness and quit worrying about the division of the ward. It will come in due time.

ACHIEVEMENT

The drive for pennies for the Children's Hospital of Salt Lake. The quota for the Hayward Primary was $100. We raised $110, the only ward in the stake to reach their quota. A "Heber J. Grant Silver Dollar Paper Weight" was the prize. Pres-Thelda Williams of our Primary presented the weight to Bishop Webb to adorn the bishop's office. This is one of a thousand paper weights made of the first $1000 that was presented to the Children's Hospital and they were made into paper weights to be presented to prize winners in the Penny Drive. We are very proud of our Primary and the wonderful work they are doing among our children. Primary is held a 10 a.m. Saturday mornings.

This is the time of the year to remember the words of the Savior, "He that believeth in Me shall never die."

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Business News

● Afton Stout of Stout's Tire firm on Addison Street, Berkeley, has just returned to work after a siege of the "flu." He and Homer are now together hard at it with the busy spring trade.

● Don J. Allphin and Pearl, his wife, will spend time in April attending the General Conference and also visiting with Richard Allphiin, optometrist, now successfully busy in his profession in Salt Lake City.

● The many friends of our Liahona member, Dr. C. Ronald Smith, are glad to know how pleased he and Mrs. Smith are with their new home in beautiful Lafayette. He is busy promoting the coming June Genealogical Temple Excursion to Idaho Falls.

● E. K. Ferguson, Liahona club member from San Leandro, is worthy of honorable mention, everyone feels, for the efficient work he has done as chairman of that ward's building committee in the remodeling of their stately ward chapel. He also helped the club in securing the two-inch water pipe now installed at the Liahona Campsite on the Stanislaus. Bro. Ferguson, a contractor and engineer, has recently completed an extensive contract in his line of laying under-surface pipe and drainage lines, etc., at the Napa State Hospital and at the Stockton State Hospital. He always seems to have some big contract going for the state in Northern California.

● Marion G. Stevens, loyal Liahona Club worker and owner of the Grand Lake Candy shop and the Alameda Sweet Shoppe announces that he is opening another candy shop in the grand new business development in Walnut Creek in July. In the meantime he is offering for sale his Grand Lake Candy Sohp. We all remember Bro. Stevens is doinga a real service to the Church by supporting a son and a daughter in the mission field.

● Earl and Roxy Peterson, proprietors of the large Oaks Variety Store on Solano avenue, Berkeley, announce that they leased the large store just a few doors from the Oaks Theatre and just across the street from their present location. The move will be made in June. In the meantime they are selling their stock at favorable prices and invite all to drop in. Both Earl and Roxy spent a "glorious" month rcently in Hawaii visiting and resting with their daughter there. You ought to hear them tell about it.

● Brother A. L. King of Napa ward announces in this number of The Messenger establishment of his Studebaker sales and service agency in Napa. "Art" is the manager of the A. L. King, Inc., Studebaker Dealers. Continued success to him.

● Our good friend, George Ivins Cannon, executive secretary of the Beneficial Life, wrote us a nice note recently thanking The Messenger for making mention of the Charles J. Taylor Agency in a late issue, and concludes the note thus: "Although I have never lived in the Bay Area, I enjoy reading The Messenger, and I am sure that it serves a very important need for members of the Church in that area."

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BERKELEY

Plans Are Underway For Further June Temple Caravan Publicity

Center of the stage for many bay area Church members continues to be the great Idaho Falls Temple caravan in mid-June. The Genealogical Committee, headed by D. H. Rock, has had printed 4000 registration cards to be distributed widely among the Saints in both Santa Rosa and Berkeley stakes.

On these cards the members are asked to indicate how they prefer to travel to Idaho Falls; and, if they are driving their own car, whether they will have room for pay passengers. These data will help in wise planning for the overnight stop along the way in Nevada and the meals and beds for that stop. An excellent and enjoyable program will be carried out for this pause and also for the spare time in Idaho Falls.

Some plans are being considered regarding a Caravan Dinner in Vallejo or Santa Rosa for the Saints of Santa Rosa stake and to inform them and gather enthusiasm there for the temple pilgrimage. Possibility of some concert in Berkeley for the benefit of the caravan is also under discussion.

Church of the Air Sunday, April 8, From Salt Lake Tabernacle

STEPHEN L. RICHARDS is announced as the speaker on the Church of the Air, Sunday, April 8, 7 a.m., KCBS. The Tabernacle choir program follows regularly on this station each Sunday at 8 a.m.

Gold & Green Ball

Berkeley stake members are expectantly waiting the traditional Gold and Green Ball, Friday, April 20, at the great Scottish Rite Auditorium, Oakland.

Ward Gold and Green balls, previously held, have chosen queens to represent the young womanhood of each ward.

Something unusual has been promised. It will occur when the ward queens are presented to the stake during the evening. "Watch for it," says Jay L. Brown, activity superintendent in charge of the affair for the combined stake boards of the MIA.

Vincent Raff's fine dance orchestra has been engaged. Mr. Raff comes to us with a fine record of engagements at the Bal Taberin, Lake Tahoe and other imporant places in the west.

Decorations and the intermission program will be in charge of Zola Sullivan, activity counselor of the YWMIA. Theme: "Fairyland," with appropriate decorations and lighting.

George H. Macey, age-group superintendent of the YMMIA, in charge of ticket sales, says that for the first time tickets will be available in each ward in advance of the date of the ball. Ward members may obtain them thru Ward MIA leaders.

Interest in the ball this year appears to be greater than at any time since the stake was organized, with tickets available in the wards we have the promise of the stake's most successful Gold and Green Balls.

Again the date: Friday, April 20; the place, palatial Scottish Rite Auditorium, Oakland; the time, 9 p.m.; the orchestra, Vincent Raff's.

Church Publication We Stand For

The Messenger stands with Elder Mark Peterson of the Council of the Twelve in his conviction that the LDS members could well subscribe for and enjoy reading the Church periodicals: the Era, the Relief Society Journal, The Instructor, the Children's Friend, and also the great Midweek Church News. 50 cents a month, ($6.00 a year) just about equals the price of the Church News, the Era, and the Relief Society Journal, together. That amount perhaps, won't hurt most families, but it will buy the most wholesome current reading matter that a real LDS family can secure, we believe. Besides it will encourage and aid in enlarging these periodicals, both in scope and quality and this means helping in the work of the Kingdom—that for which we probably pray for every day.

Make The Era Yours; 150 Per Cent of Quota Possible

Berkeley Stake reached the 100 per cent mark in the Improvement Era campaign for subscriptions on March 15, according to word received by Lewis E. Roland, Stake Era director.

Thus among northern California Stakes, Berkeley holds at this writing second place, being topped only by San Francisco Stake, (131 per cent). Palo Alto with 99 per cent is still threatening to pass Berkeley, which Oakland Stake with 94 per cent claims that she will land on top before the campaign ends on April 16.

Wards of the stake are urged to redouble their efforts. Make sure that Berkeley comes out on top. This is not altogether a matter of pride, but the Improvement Era is worthy of being in the home of every Latter-day Saint family.

"In troublous times like these what is more important than that we do more religious reading and draw closer to our Church?" Brother Roland declared.

To reach a goal of even 150 per cent of our quota would not be difficult, provided a real effort is made in one or two wards of the stake where the campaign is lagging. Onward! Onward to Victory!

Beautiful Prayer

Here is a beautiful prayer I want you to share with me:

Lord, make me an instrument of Thy Peace. Where there is hatred, let me sow love; where there is injury, pardon; where there is doubt, faith; where there is despair, hope; where there is darkness, light; where there is sadness, joy.

O Divine Master, grant that I may not so much seek to be consoled as to console; to be understood, as to understand; to be loved, as to love; for it is in giving that we receive; it is in pardoning, that we are pardoned; and it is in dying that we are born to Eternal Life.—Contributed by Elder Reed Welchoff, Basel.

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Berkeley Stake Tabernacle Site Building Lots Will Soon Go on the Market. Stake Members to be Given First Opportunity, for Two or Three Weeks Only.

Word has come that the red tape around the legal steps for filing the subdivision maps is about unwound, and that choice building lots that are now part of the Berkeley Stake Tabernacle site on upper Arlington avenue will be put on the market through the local LDS realtors offices early in April.

First opportunities will be given to the members of the Berkeley stake to purchase, but this special privilege will last for only two or three weeks, we are informed. After that he lots will be thrown on the open market for purchase by the general public in order that advantage may be taken of spring buying, and the lots disposed of to advantage to the stake building fund.

The name of this choice residential subdivision will be "Marina Vista Terrace." We understand that prices of lots will be in the neighborhood of $2700 to $3600 each. The realty offices of Joseph C. Eyring, LeRoi B. Gardner and Frank Parsons will be ready to show the lots and quote prices in detail.

BERKELEY FIRST WARD UNITED NATIONS CARNIVAL

Have you ever hoped for at least one evening affair at the church equally entertaining to all ages? Well, just such a grand evening of family entertainment is being planned at the Berkeley First ward for Saturday evening, April 14. The occasion is the United Nations carnival—a colorful event that will appeal to all members of the family.

A fine dinner will be served beginning at 6 p.m. for only 90c per plate for adults and 60c for children under 12. The evening will be full of things to do and see, and there will be scores of bargains. A movie for the youngsters, a puppet show, skill games, guessing contests, with a GE electric blanket as prize, home made articles by the Relief Society, a "women's exchange," operated by the Daughters of Utah Pioneers, bags of select grocery items, home made cakes and candies, fortune telling, character sketches, all kinds of refreshments and varied entertainment are just a few of the highlights of this evening of fun for the whole family.

Berkeley First ward is the sponsor, but all members and their friends are heartily invited to join in the fun.

The Berkeley social hall will be converted into a colorful display of booths representing the various United Nations. General chairman of the carnival is D. H. Rock, with officers of the various auxiliary organizations serving on his committee. Proceeds of the event will be used for the welfare fund.

LDS Boys in U. C. Glee Club

One of the largest and most popular student organizations on the U.C. campus is the Glee Club, a singing organization of the highest calibre. Last spring the Club toured the state and won highest praise.

Several Latter-day Saint boys are prominent members of the organization. During his four years in Glee Club, Scott Bybee, of Claremont ward, has been an energetic worker, and was chosen last year as senior manager, a top position for helping in arranging and planning the Club's activities and concerts. Dick Bliss, (Oakland ward), has been in the Glee Club for two years and serves as junior manager and club treasurer. He also sings in the Senior Octette, a very popular group which not only appears on Glee Club programs, but also has many singing engagements of its on. Rollin Jensen, of Alameda Ward (Assistant Organist for Oakland Stake), has served as Glee Club accompanist for two years. Other members are Vince and Calvin Wood, of Claremont ward, Jay Robinson of Dimond ward, and Rick Choquette, Berkeley ward. Vince and Jay are also members of the Senior Octette.

In addition to singing for many campus functions, the Glee Club gives a number of concerts throughout the Bay Area each year. On Sunday afternoon, April 22, the Club will present a concert at the War Memorial Opera House in San Francisico.

Oak. Stake News

We are waiting to greet Janette Evans, daughter of Williaim and Elnora Evans of Elmhurst ward, as she returns from her two years' service to the Spanish-American Mission. We have heard good things about her all the while.

Our stake Relief Society stake president, Hilda Perkins ,has been homebound for the past weeks. We are glad to learn that she is improving. We also are glad to see our late Alameda bishop, Thys Winkel, among us again after his illness.

Maxwell Park ward will feature a building fund dinner Friday, April 13, at the Alameda ward chapel from 6:00 to 7:30, to be followed by a very pleasant entertainment.

The Sunday School Board is sponsoring a special showing of an excellent film, a Pilgrimage play in full color of the Life of Christ. See it at Hayward chapl, Friday, April 13, and at Alameda chapel, Saturday, April 14.

Berkeley Calla Lilies Go to Conference

Don C. Wood, president of the stake High Priests' quorum, announces that the response of the stake members to the call of the stake presidency for calla lilies to send to the Tabernacle for the April General Conference has been greater than was believed possible.

Committeemen Thomas Rogers and I. B. Ball were able to gather about 400 lily blooms of first quality instead of the 300 asked for at the beginning. The lilies went by Railway Express in two shipments, the latter to reach Salt Lake City for refreshing and augmenting the displays Saturday and Sunday, the last two days of the conference. This is a project of the stake as a whole. The lilies have been purchased heretofore.

The Church Authorities have commended this kindness on the part of Berkeley stake for the last several years. It is becoming a traditional practice, now doubly appreciated because the flowers come from the gardens of the local saints. Oakland stake members also contributed some of the blooms at their individual voluntary request.

Church's Funny Side

RELIGION VS. BUSINESS

A hillbilly came to a revivalist and informed him that "he had got religion." "That's fine, brother, " approved the preacher, "but are you sure you're going to put aside sin?" "Yes sir," he insisted. "I already done that." "And you're going to pay all your debts?" continued the preacher. "Now wait a minute, Parson," cautioned the other, "you ain't a-talkin religion now—you're a-talkin business."

ST. PAUL UP TO DATE

The minister was reading a text from the Holy Scriptures, when an elderly lady interrupted to inquire, "What kind of Bible are you reading from, Parson?" "This is the Revised Version," he replied. "Humph!" she grunted disapprovingly. "The King James version was good enough for St. Paul, and it's good enough for me."

WHY WORRY

The little girl replied to a query and said, "Yes, I know some passages from the Bible." She gave one. "The Lord is my shepherd. I should worrv."

KNOW YOUR BIBLE

A little girl said she knew "everything" that was in the Bible, and added, "There's mom's recipe for ketchup, sis's snapshots of her boy friend, one of my baby curls, and the hock ticket for pop's watch."

A CLEAN SWEEP

A little girl replied to a visiting Bishop's question and said, "Oh, yes, that's my apron that I'm going to put in the wash. Mamma just got it all dirty when she grabbed it up to dust the Bible when she saw you coming."

READ SCRIPTURES DAILY

By GERALD A. LARUE.

Quite recently a young man said to me, "You are studying the Bible but don't you think it is just a wee bit out of date for our times?" Unfortunately he is not alone in this way of thinking. . . .

The Bible is a book for everyday life. One of the finest testimonies came from a friend who attended University and majored in English. His was a critical mind. He said, "Every day I read some portion of the Sermon on the Mount and I read it through about once a week. Every time I read it I learn something more, I find something I missed before, and I am strengthened in a new way."

There is only one way to really discover if the Bible is a book of the past, and that is to read it and see. You will find that God has a way of speaking through the printed page to bring messages of hope and comfort, of guidance and warning, of strength and power.